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## Press, radio, TV hit PSL over ban on us

"Soccer Action" has received 237 letters denouncing the Philips League's black-ban on this newspaper over our use of club names like Hellas, APIA, J.U.S.T. and Makedonia.

We also have received numerous phone calls, of which we have not kept an accurate count.

The reaction has included only one statement of support for the PSL's ban. It came by phone from a reader in Sale.

Channel 0 followed up the story of the ban on its Friday night programme last week. Comper Dave Fordham and panelist Rale Basic denounced the ban, while Tommy Docherty took the PSL's side. PSL secretary Paul Kemp said he did not wholeheartedly support the ban, but added he could not speak against his own management committee.

Radio 2EA sports editor Jose Montes strongly criticised the PSL ban on air.

We have informed most newspapers in Australia about the ban. We also have informed television stations, and the Director of Community Relations, Al Grassby.

We repeat that our paper tries to reflect the views and attitudes of the spectators on the terrace. If they call their team Hellas, then respect their wishes by doing so too.

The Philips League bases itself on four Greek clubs, four Italian, one Jewish, one Dutch, one Macedonia and one Yugoslav, yet it says that because "Australians" find it abhorrent to support such clubs, the clubs must make it appear that they are not really what they are.

Our view is that the clubs have nothing to be ashamed of, that they are entitled to be proud of



**Jose Montes:**  
radio 2EA



**Elias Donovidis:**  
*"Neos Kosmos"*

their identity and their traditions and that if the PSL hierarchy doesn't like it, why not form a new league made up of "acceptable" district clubs like Devonport, Banks-town, Elizabeth, Mt Gravatt, Frankston, Sunshine, Manly, Burnie and Sutherland?

This is still a free country, at least outside soccer.

Obviously we can't print all letters received, so we have picked out only two, which follow:

**SIR** — Regarding your front page last week "PSL Bans Us", it seems the Philips League is trying to use

soccer so-called "ethnic" people as guinea pigs. These people are asked to give up their heritage and identity for the sake of the PSL experiment aimed at luring so-called "Australians" to soccer. Because "Soccer Action" stands up for the migrant people's rights, the PSL bans this great newspaper.

There are more clubs in Australia with district names than with ethnic names. Why haven't those clubs kicked on? Why are the ethnic clubs the only big clubs in soccer? It seems they are trying to reduce the ethnic clubs to the level of the district clubs and in doing so, they will kill soccer altogether.

This whole "anti-ethnic" drive stinks. It is nothing more than discrimination and racism. I am a member of Preston Makedonia and we are finding it harder and harder to get financial support because the PSL is trying to take away our national identity. People have kept this club going because they are proud to be

Makedonians, and they are proud to have a Makedonian club. They spent thousands and thousands of dollars only recently to build our wonderful Makedonia social club, so they are entitled to keep that identity. I say good on you, "Soccer Action".

How about everyone else in soccer getting behind the paper as well!

— CHRIS RISTOVSKI,

Club Member, Preston Makedonia.

**SIR** — I feel obliged to express my congratulations for your well-written article in last week's "Soccer Action" in regards to that ridiculous ban on your paper that Philips League has over your paper of ethnic clubs. Let's move on to other clubs.

The soccer bosses should look instead at ways to improve soccer.

With actions like this, they succeed only in embarrassing themselves and hurting soccer.

Congratulations once again for battling for the betterment of soccer.

— ELIAS DONOVIDIS,  
Sports Editor,  
*"Neos Kosmos"*



**ANDREW DETTRE**  
Let clubs decide . . .

Andrew Dettre, editor of Australia's oldest soccer publication, "Soccer World," expressed his opinion about the anti-ethnic witch-hunt in his edition of last week.

Incidentally, Andrew referred to the "Footscray Rams" whereas the Rams are supposed to be Makedonia — we think. It's difficult, Andrew, we know it's difficult.

Here are excerpts from his article . . .

"The PSL... Really believes or appears to believe that it's the unacceptable (ethnic) names which keep the tens of thousands of Aussie fans from breaking down the gates and packing our stadiums. How awfully sad it is. Smart educated men believe not what they see but what they would like to see . . .

"What I do say is that it should be left to the clubs and nobody else. If the clubs want an APIA, Hellas or Hakoah, so be it. It's their club, their investment and their risk. But it's wrong and almost dishonest for kibitzers who stand to lose nothing, to decide these issues . . .

"The Australian public doesn't care one iota, one way or another. If it did, our Parramatta, Auburns, Manlys and others wouldn't be playing in front of empty terraces. With their pure district names to boot . . .

"Some one-third of Australia's population is now either foreign-born or sons and daughters of migrants. Isn't THAT a big enough market to cultivate and develop? In our lifetime, that is. Because I am not sure whether there is any soccer in the hereafter, no matter how tantalising the prospects may be."

# 'IDIOTS'



• Hellas star Billy Rogers (right), one of Australia's midfielders against New Zealand on Saturday, is foiled by Wollongong's Natch Vardareff in their top-of-the-table PSL match. Pictures: LES SHORROCK.

## World Cup draw

The programme for the Oceania World Cup qualifying group is:

April 25: New Zealand v. Australia

May 3: Fiji v. New Zealand

May 7: Taiwan v. New Zealand

May 13: Indonesia v. New Zealand

May 16: Australia v. New Zealand

May 20: Australia v. Indonesia

May 24: New Zealand v. Indonesia

May 30: New Zealand v. Taiwan

May 31: Fiji v. Indonesia

June 6: Fiji v. Taiwan

June 10: Australia v. Taiwan

June 14: Indonesia v. Taiwan

June 28: Taiwan v. Indonesia

July 26: Fiji v. Australia

August 6: Taiwan v. Fiji

August 10: Indonesia v. Fiji

August 17: New Zealand v. Fiji

August 30: Indonesia v. Australia

September 2: Taiwan v. Australia

The winner advances to a further Asian qualifying group, from which the top two qualify for the World Cup finals in Spain next year.

China and Saudi Arabia already have qualified for this Asian group. The other qualifier will be the winner of Asian Group Three comprising Kuwait, South Korea, Thailand and Malaysia. The Group Three tournament is being played from April 17 to May 1.

## Rudi blasts his critics as 'Roos take on the Kiwis

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Procrastinator or patient planner, madman or maestro, eccentric or well-rehearsed showman? What do you say about this man Gutendorf who leads Australia into the World Cup series against New Zealand in Auckland on Saturday?

Does he have a team, finally, now that Billy Rogers, Sebastian Giampaolo and Peter Katholos have increased to 61 the number of players Gutendorf has used in his two and a half years as coach?

Are they confident on the field, having been substituted in threes and fours, even fives, during most matches so far?

Has an effective playing system been instilled despite the lack of team stability?

Does he inspire the necessary confidence does he have his players' respect?

Go to a place where soccer people congregate and you will hear these questions and others about Rudi Gutendorf's handling of the national team.

Personally, I always have found Gutendorf to be an extremely likeable character — sometimes bizarre as show business people are, but always charming, and an expert publicist.

He is a naturally flamboyant character, but much of his outrageousness is deliberate.

atally calculated to gain publicity for his team and, of course, for himself.

Gutendorf is well aware of it, but he can take care of himself, as he demonstrated in firing massive broadsides at his critics just before leaving for Auckland.

"New Zealand will be a

fair opponent but in Australia I have had nothing but unfair opponents," he said. "During my three years here, these many enemies have attacked me

constantly out of envy or sheer stupidity."

He referred to his more relentless critics as "frustrated idiots who know nothing about soccer," adding that their mental development stopped 20 or 30 years ago.

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The Australian eleven lines up before the start of Australia's first World Cup Final game against East Germany in Hamburg in 1974. From left to right: Jimmy Rooney (now with Heidelberg), Col Curran (Newcastle KB), Manfred Schaefer (retired), Jimmy Mackay (Morwell Falcons), Ray Richards (retired), Johnny Warren (retired), Doug Utješenovic (retired), Adrian Alston (retired), Branko Bujevic (South Melbourne Hellas), Jack Reilly (Heidelberg), Peter Wilson (APIA Leichhardt).

# 30 clashes since 1922

**It was for a tour of New Zealand in 1922 that Australia formed its first national soccer squad. Since then the two nations have clashed 30 times.**

Australia has held the upper hand for most of those 59 years. It has scored 102 goals to New Zealand's 46 in winning 19, drawing five and losing only six matches.

On that first historic tour of 1922, the Socceroos played 14 matches, winning nine, drawing one and losing four.

Results were:  
v. Wanganui 2-1, v. Nelson

8-2, v. Wellington 0-3, v. Westland 2-1, v. South Island 4-1, v. Otago 2-1, v. New Zealand 1-3, v. New Zealand 1-1, v. Taranaki 6-1, v. Auckland 4-1, v. South Auckland 2-1, v. New Zealand 1-3, v. Manawatu 5-0.

The Socceroos' 10-0 result against New Zealand in Wellington in 1938 still stands as their biggest win. Their last loss to New Zealand was in Auckland in 1979 — the first A internationals under coach Ray Gutendorf.

In the period 1933 to 1948, the Socceroos won all 10 of their games against the Kiwis.

New Zealand repaid the Socceroos' pioneering 1922 tour by visiting Australia in 1923 for 15 matches, winning six, drawing two and losing seven. Aust-

ralia was disgraced in the three-match Test series, winning 2-1 in Brisbane, but losing 2-3 in Newcastle and 1-4 in Sydney.

In 1933, Australia won another three-match Test 4-2 in Brisbane, 8-2 in Sydney and 4-2 in Sydney.

Three years later, the Socceroos visited the Shaky Isles and this time they were stronger than ever, beating the Kiwis 7-1 in Dunedin, 10-0 in Wellington and 4-1 in Auckland.

Then, on a 1948 visit, the Socceroos scored 90 goals to four in winning all 13 games, including a four-match Test series.

The Australian squad included those great players, Joe Marston, Cec Drummond, Angus Drennan, Gordon Nunn and Frank Parsons.

Goalscorers on tour, with Test goals in brackets: 26 (12) Parsons, 15 Nunn, 13 (3) Johns, 12 (3) Cunningham, 10 (6) Hughes, 7 Hodge, 2 Marston, 10 (2) Drennan.

New Zealand had a measure

of revenge in the first Test of its 1954 tour, which it won 2-1 in Melbourne, but it lost the other two Test games 1-4 in Brisbane and 1-4 in Sydney.

The Kiwis also played against and Australian XI in Adelaide, drawing 1-1. Of their 11 tour games, they won five, drew three and lost three.

In 1958 it was Australia's turn to tour New Zealand. The Socceroos included star players Marston, Frank Loughran, Bruce Morrison, Gordon Nunn, Tony Vella, Bob Wemyss and Kev O'Neill but managed only 3-2 and 2-2 against New Zealand. What's more Auckland beat the Australians 2-1 in the first game of the tour.

Results:

v. Auckland 2-1, v. Wellington 2-2, v. Combined NZ XI 8-1, 6-0, 8-0, v. South Island 3-0, v. Canterbury Province 10-1, v. New Zealand 3-2, v. New Zealand 2-2, v. Waikato 5-2.

The squad was:

J. Marston, capt., S. Kitchee, B. Morrison, R. Murdoch, K. O'Neill (NSW), P. Adair (WA), W. Irirkins (Tas), F. Loughran, T. Vella, Bob Wemyss (Vic), J. Maher, I. McCabe (SA), G. Nunn, N. Rule, B. Volger (Qld).

It wasn't until 1967 that the two nations met again — this time in the South Vietnam National Day tournament in Saigon, a tournament contested also by South Vietnam, Singapore, South Korea, Malaysia, Thailand and Hong Kong.

Australia won that tournament, beating New Zealand 5-3 on the way.

Australia's team that night was:

Roger Romanowicz (SA) — George Keith (Vic), Frank Micic (Vic) (Sub), Manfred Schaefer (NSW), Dick van Alphen (Vic), Stan Ackery (NSW) — Alan Westwater (NSW), Johnny Warren (NSW) — Tommy McColl (SA) (Ray

Richards (NSW), Attila Abonyi (Vic), Ray Baartz (NSW), Billy Voitek (Vic).

Australia played 10 games on that tour, winning them all. The Socceroos and Kiwis bumped into each other in another unlikely place, Djakarta, in 1972. New Zealand took an early lead through Alan Vest, now coach of Newcastle KB United, but when substitutes Ray Baartz, Adrian Alston and Branko Bujevic came on, Australia coasted to a 3-1 victory.

It wasn't easy in the 1973 World Cup qualifying series, though. A goal by Brian Turner gave the Kiwis a 1-0 lead after 57 minutes in Auckland, and it wasn't until the 85th minute that substitute Ernie Campbell salvaged a draw for the visitors.

In the return match in Sydney, New Zealand again took an early lead through Vest at the 10th minute. However, Doug Utješenovic equalised almost immediately and Australia led 3-1 after only 26 minutes.

It was in this match that New Zealand demonstrated its fighting spirit most convincingly, for the Kiwis were able to fight back and draw 3-3, albeit with the help of an own goal by Australian left back Harry Bogg.

Australia won 1-0 in Auckland and 3-1 in Melbourne, under Brian Green who was national coach in early 1976.

In the first World Cup qualifying tie of 1977, the Kiwis, as usual, scored first. It was Keith Nelson who got the goal, after only four minutes. And New Zealand had that lead until the 60th minute, when Peter Ollerton slid home a cross from left back Harry Williams, the star of the match. John Kosmina made it 2-1 and Ollerton got another one near the end.

But the return match in Auckland was much, much more difficult and it was only because of a super-human performance by captain and sweeper Peter Wilson that Australia managed to hang on to a 1-1 draw.

The most recent game between the countries was in June, 1979, in Auckland.

But Australia wasn't im-

pressive, and New Zealand won 1-0, with a 58th minute goal by Ormond.

## Australia won 10-0 in '36

**Australia's results against New Zealand:**

1922	1-3 (Dunedin)	RALIA 1 (Harding 8th) at Newmarket Park, Auckland.
1-3 (Wellington)	NEW ZEALAND: Jeram 9	
1-3 (Auckland)	— Sibley 7, Houghton 6, Elrick 6, Park 6 — Turner 7, Fleet 7, Taylor 7 — Campbell 7, Thomas 6, Ormond 7.	
1923	2-1 (Brisbane)	AUSTRALIA: Clarke 7 — Utješenovic 7, Wilson 7, Bennett 8, Harris 8 — Rooney 7, Harding 7, Muniz 7, Rooney 6 — Abonyi 6 (J. Nyskohus 72nd), Ollerton 8, Barnes 8.
2-3 (Newcastle)	March, 1976	
1-4 (Sydney)	AUSTRALIA: Clarke 6 — Utješenovic 6, Wilson 6, Bennett 6, Harris 6 — Harding 8, Muniz 7, Rooney 6 — Abonyi 6 (J. Nyskohus 72nd), Ollerton 8, Barnes 8.	
1933	4-2 (Brisbane)	NEW ZEALAND: (Barber 7th, Ollerton 14th, Attorney 7th)
4-2 (Sydney)	NEW ZEALAND 1 (Taylor 7th) at Olympic Park, Melbourne crowd about 6000.	
1936	7-1 (Dunedin)	AUSTRALIA: Clarke 6 — Utješenovic 6, Wilson 6, Bennett 6, Harris 6 — Harding 8, Muniz 7, Rooney 6 — Abonyi 6 (J. Nyskohus 72nd), Ollerton 8, Barnes 8.
10-0 (Wellington)	NEW ZEALAND: (Barber 7th, Ollerton 14th, Attorney 7th)	
4-1 (Auckland)	AUSTRALIA: Clarke 6 — Utješenovic 6, Wilson 6, Bennett 6, Harris 6 — Harding 8, Muniz 7, Rooney 6 — Abonyi 6 (J. Nyskohus 72nd), Ollerton 8, Barnes 8.	
1948	6-0 (Wellington)	NEW ZEALAND: (Barber 7th, Ollerton 14th, Attorney 7th)
7-0 (Christchurch)	AUSTRALIA: Clarke 6 — Utješenovic 6, Wilson 6, Bennett 6, Harris 6 — Harding 8, Muniz 7, Rooney 6 — Abonyi 6 (J. Nyskohus 72nd), Ollerton 8, Barnes 8.	
4-0 (Wellington)	NEW ZEALAND: (Barber 7th, Ollerton 14th, Attorney 7th)	
8-1 (Auckland)	AUSTRALIA: Clarke 6 — Utješenovic 6, Wilson 6, Bennett 6, Harris 6 — Harding 8, Muniz 7, Rooney 6 — Abonyi 6 (J. Nyskohus 72nd), Ollerton 8, Barnes 8.	
1954	1-2 (Melbourne)	NEW ZEALAND: (Barber 7th, Ollerton 14th, Attorney 7th)
4-1 (Brisbane)	AUSTRALIA: Clarke 6 — Utješenovic 6, Wilson 6, Bennett 6, Harris 6 — Harding 8, Muniz 7, Rooney 6 — Abonyi 6 (J. Nyskohus 72nd), Ollerton 8, Barnes 8.	
1958	3-2 (Wellington)	NEW ZEALAND: (Barber 7th, Ollerton 14th, Attorney 7th)
2-2 (Auckland)	AUSTRALIA: Clarke 6 — Utješenovic 6, Wilson 6, Bennett 6, Harris 6 — Harding 8, Muniz 7, Rooney 6 — Abonyi 6 (J. Nyskohus 72nd), Ollerton 8, Barnes 8.	
1967	5-3 (Saigon)	NEW ZEALAND: (Barber 7th, Ollerton 14th, Attorney 7th)
October 1972	AUSTRALIA 3 (Abonyi 26th, Baartz 51st, Warren 76th)	
	NEW ZEALAND 1 (Vest 7th)	
	Teams with ratings:	
	AUSTRALIA: Corry 7 — Utješenovic 8, Wilson 8, Schaefer 7, B. Nyskohus 7 — Rooney 6 (Baartz 8, half time), McDonald 7, Warren 3 — Abonyi 8, Armstrong 6 (Alston 7, half time), Butler 6 (Buljevic 5th, 8th)	
	NEW ZEALAND: Morris 5 (Curtin 68th) — Sibley 7, Ferguson 7, Hartie 7, Tillotson 7 — Turner 6 (Ashurst 6, 54th), Tindall 5 (Taylor 80th), Vest 8 — Marley 7, Pollard 6, Ormond 7.	
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	NEW ZEALAND: Curtin 7 — Sibley 7, Houghton 7, Elrick 7, R. Armstrong 7 — Campbell 5 (Dodd 65th), Turner 7, Summer 5 — Taylor 5, Nelson 5, Weymouth 5 (Park 82nd)	
	APRIL 1977 — WORLD CUP	
	AUSTRALIA 3 (Ollerton 60th, Ferguson 62nd, Kosmina 72nd)	
	NEW ZEALAND 1 (Taylor 4th) at Sydney Cricket Ground, attendance 12,120.	
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	APRIL 1977 — WORLD CUP	
	NEW ZEALAND 1 (Curtin 60th) at Newmarket Park, Auckland.	
	NEW ZEALAND: Curtin 8 — Sibley 7, Houghton 8, Elrick 7, R. Armstrong 8 — Turner 8, Marley 7, Pollard 6, Bland 7.	
	AUSTRALIA: Corry 8 — Utješenovic 8, Wilson 8, Schaefer 8, Hogg 8 — Richards 7, Baartz 7, Warren 6 (Abonyi 77th) — Alston 6, Tolson 6 (E. Campbell 67th), Buljevic 7.	
	March, 1973 — WORLD CUP	
	AUSTRALIA 3 (Utješenovic 11th, Baartz 20th, Buljevic 26th) — NEW ZEALAND 3 (Vest 10th, Tindall 50th, Hogg own goal 44th) at Sydney Sports Ground, crowd 14,071.	
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	March, 1976	
	AUSTRALIA 0 (Ormond 58th) AUSTRALIA 0 at Newmarket Park, Auckland, crowd about 4000.	
	NEW ZEALAND: R. Wilson 9 — Sibley 7, Malcolmson 8, Almond 8, Elrick 6 — Cole 9, Summer 7, Turner 8 — Ormond 6 (Stamps 80th), Nelson 7, Verweij 9.	
	AUSTRALIA: Woodhouse 8 — Curran 6, Wilson 8, S. O'Connor 8, Degney 6 (J. O'Shea 65th) — Byrne 9, Henderson 7, Jankovics 6 (Kosmina 7, half time) — Sharne 6 (Muniz 60th), Krnecic 8, Watson 9.	

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# THE LIKELY ELEVEN

• The likely Australian team (figures indicate total games for Australia, full internationals, and goals scored):



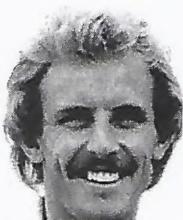
**ALLAN MAHER**  
35/18  
(Marconi-Datsun)

30 years old. Member of squad for 1974 World Cup finals, played in unsuccessful 1978 World Cup campaign, was on '76 & '80 world tours. Born Sydney, former clubs: Sutherland.



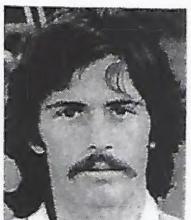
**STEVE PERRY**  
23/10  
(Brisbane City)

25 yrs, first game v Greece, 1978, was on tour of China and Taiwan, 1979, world tour 1980. Born Sydney. Former clubs: Sutherland, Western Suburbs (NSW).



**TONY HENDERSON**  
29/14/4  
(Marconi-Datsun)

27 yrs, first game v Wolves Krakow, 1979, toured China same year and was on '80 World tour. Born: England. Previous clubs: Blackpool, Rotherham (UK), Durban Utd (Sth Africa), Canberra City.



**MURRAY BARNES**  
43/24/8  
(Sydney City)

27 yrs. Captain, first game v China in Melbourne, 1975, played in 1977 World Cup attempt, was on 1976 & '80 world tours. Formerly played forward and midfield. Born Sydney. Previous club: Kuringai (junior).



**JIM TANSEY**  
40/18  
(Heidelberg Utd)

27 yrs, first game v USSR in Melbourne, 1975, then 1976 world tour, 1977 World Cup, 1979 China tour, 1980 world tour. Victorian Rothmans Medallist 1976. Born: England. Previous clubs: South Liverpool (UK), Slavia (Vic.).



**JOHN YZENDOORN**  
15/10/1  
(Heidelberg Utd)

25 yrs, first game v Partizan Belgrade, 1978, was on '79 world tour 1980. "Soccer Action" Vic player of the year 1978. Press Assoc Vic player of the year 1980. Born: England. Previous clubs: Preston North End (UK), Slavia.



**MARK JANKOVIC**  
29/13/2  
(Marconi-Datsun)

25 yrs, first game v N. Zealand, Australia '76. Born: Sydney. Previous clubs: St George (NSW), PSL top scorer '79.



**Let's back Rudi, says Margaritis**

Australia's 1980 Coach of the Year, John Margaritis (pictured) this week urged the soccer fraternity to get behind Rudi Gutendorf as Australia starts its World Cup campaign.

"It is unprofessional for other coaches to criticise Rudi," Margaritis said.

"Instead, we should offer him all the help we can and give him any advice he may need."

"Probably Rudi has made mistakes, but then who doesn't."

"The players all are fit, so what they need now is organisation, understanding among each other, deep discussion about the coming matches, and to concentrate on the principles of team play."

"They have lacked cohesion in the past, but I'm sure Rudi will work on correcting that in Auckland and for the other World Cup games."

Margaritis is coach of South Melbourne Hellas, the early leader of the Philips League competition.



**EDDIE KRNEVIC**  
30/18/15  
(Marconi-Datsun)

20 yrs, first game v New Zealand in Auckland, 1979. Born: '79 China '80 world tour '80 Oceania Cup. Previous club: Croatia (Vic). Born: Melbourne.



**GREG WOODHOUSE**  
23/13  
(APIA-Leichhardt)

21 yrs, first game v New Zealand in Auckland, '79. Like Krnecic, is from national youth squad. '79 China tour, '80 world tour. Previous club: Western Suburbs (NSW). Born: Sydney.



**STEVE BLAIR**  
3/2  
(St Melb. Hellas)

18 yrs, first game v New Caledonia, '80 Oceania Cup in Melbourne. Also v Dromana Zagreb, Canberra, '81. A youth team has won world titles this year. Former club: Albion Rovers (Vic). Born: Melbourne.



**SEBASTIAN GIAMPAOLO**  
(APIA-Leichhardt)

23 yrs, only game so far v Greece in Sydney, 1978. Born: Canberra. Previous clubs: Inter-Monaro (ACT), Canberra City. Born: Melbourne.



**ALAN DAVIDSON**

15/10/1  
(St Melb. Hellas)  
21 yrs, first game v Arsenal in Czechoslovakia in Melb, 1980, was on tour same year and in team that won Oceania Cup in Noumea. Played for national youth team in New Zealand and Paraguay, 1978-79. Born: Melbourne. Previous club: Altona City



**BILLY ROGERS**  
2/0  
(St Melb. Hellas)

30 yrs, played v Wolves and FC Santos, 1972, and recalled after nine years due to excellent club form. Born South Africa. Previous clubs: Sunshine City, Melbourne Auburn, APIA.



**PETER KATHOLOS**  
0/0  
(Sydney Olympic)

20 yrs. First time in squad. Was in youth squad, Paraguay, 1979. Born: Greece. Former clubs: M'ville Olympic, St George (NSW)



**PETER SHARNE**  
34/20/9  
(Marconi-Datsun)

25 yrs. Played against Arsenal in 1977 World Cup series, was on China tour '79 world tour '80 and in side that won 1980 Oceania Cup in Noumea. Born: Sydney. Previous clubs: Lansvale Juniors, Liverpool City (juniors).



**JOHN KOSMINA**  
38/22/12  
(Sydney City)

24 yrs. First game v Bologna in Adelaide, 1976, world tour '76, scored five goals in '77 World Cup. Born: Semaphore, Sth Aust. Previous clubs: Polonia (SA), Arsenal, West Adelaide, Adelaide City (as guest).



**KEN BODEN**  
23/11/6  
(Sydney City)

30 yrs. First game v Wisla Krakow in Sydney, 1979. China tour '79, world tour '80. Australian Player of Year and joint top scorer, 1978. Born: England. Previous clubs: Matlock Town, Scunthorpe, Bridlington, Doncaster Rovers (UK), Newcastle KB Utd (NSW).

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## le Fevre wants closer links

After earlier discounting the strength of the New Zealand team, ASF secretary Brian le Fevre was somewhat more subdued than that more subdued during a quick trip to Auckland.

"We are fully aware that New Zealand is better prepared than ever before," he stated. "We also know that the Kiwis playing in the PSL are in

top form. We always expect a tough fight against New Zealand on their own paddock and this will not be any exception."

New Zealand F.A. delegates breathed a sigh of relief when the Mount Smart pitch was inspected and found to be in excellent condition.

Even more heartening for the locals was le Fevre's statement that

greater international contact between the two countries was essential for the future, particularly as the cost of bringing top grade opposition from Europe was rapidly becoming prohibitive.

Before returning to Sydney le Fevre had a word of warning to his fellow countrymen: "Any Australian who thinks the New Zealanders will be a pushover is out of his mind." — PAUL MOON.



# KIWI TROUBLES SWEPT UNDER THE CARPET

**AUCKLAND** — The Socceroos will defeat New Zealand by a margin of one or two goals here on Saturday in the crucial World Cup clash.

*That's my opinion of the coming match at the terrible Mount Smart Stadium where the game will be played.*

**And it will be the first time an Australian soccer team will have won a World Cup match on New Zealand soil.**

I'm sure a great many of you will be shaking your heads when you read this and think-

ing that I've gone off my rocker proclaiming an Australian victory after the many



**TOM ANDERSON**

happenings in the Australian camp since the ill-fated world tour at the end of last year.

Well, I haven't and I have implicit faith that Rudi Gutendorf's boys will bring home the bacon and defeat the cocky Kiwis.

This Australian team has been underrated by many critics back home in Australia.

It has come through pretty jealousy and people trying to knock Rudi Gutendorf down.

The simple reason for this is that Gutendorf is a big person-

ality within his own right and there's a number of people within soccer's ranks in Australia who can't stand this.

Somewhere for a number of years they have believed it is they who are the big personalities and when someone like Gutendorf comes along and steals the limelight — bang, he's no good and his team's no good.

Also, there are a number of people within the soccer fraternity who do not care one damn about the Socceroos.

These people forget that they are not living and earning a living in Australia and that they are connected with Australian soccer. I repeat, Australian soccer.

But these people really don't matter when the chips are down in the World Cup arena.

It's the players who have the last say and on Saturday they

will give their lot for Australia.

They know that to play in a World Cup final series comes only once in a lifetime and they also realise that this is their best chance yet with two teams qualifying from Asia.

Our boys also know that this New Zealand team has been overrated out of all proportion.

New Zealand coach John Adshead is an Englishman who on many occasions lets his mouth run off, with his brain out of gear.

I remember well that in 1974 and the 1978 World Cup games — both draws, Adshead with a "nobody" in New Zealand.

In fact he was with the Australian players and coaches every minute of their stay in the Shaky Isles.

In those days Adshead was quick to come forward on the New Zealand style of play etc.

Now Adshead is the NZ national coach in what must be the biggest turn-up of all time.

And believe me, from what I've been hearing since I arrived here with the Socceroos on Monday, he's had more than his share of troubles.

But there again, a great number of these troubles have been swept under the carpet.

I expect the New Zealanders to trip and falter on that bump under the carpet on Saturday.

Not for one minute do I think that it will be an easy game — it won't.

They are always hard here in New Zealand and a great deal will depend on the performance of the Italian referee.

I only hope he has brought his right whistle with him and the one that plays the correct tune.

There is an air of confidence about this Australian camp that I like and one that has a great deal of determination about it.

The boys are not over-confident but they know they can win.

They're also a bit "toey" and this is good before a big game like this.

Again I say I think they will win by possibly a single goal.

If I'm wrong, I'll join in the mourning with the players here in Auckland on Saturday night.

But somehow I don't think this is going to happen, and Waltzing Matilda will be the song of the hour.

# Dutchman Massa caught between warring nations

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

**Canberra City's tall Dutch midfielder John Massa is caught between the prejudices of two warring nations when he tries to assess the comparative World Cup qualifying chances of Australia and New Zealand.**

If he talks to Canberra's Kiwi international keeper Richard Wilson, Massa is tempted to favor the Kiwi's qualifying chances but when he talks to Canberra's Australian squad striker Walter Valeri, the tall Dutchman isn't sure which country has the better chance.

But Massa is sure of one thing. No national squad in Western Europe would try out 60 players in 20 months like Australian coach Rudi Gutendorf did.

"In Holland we have a squad of 22 which is cut down to about 16 before the match," said Massa.

"We have the same squad for the next match, with the exception of injured players. You see, the attitude over there is that if a good player gains experience at international level he has the chance to become even better."

"On the other hand I should point out that Mr. Gutendorf probably doesn't know all the players here."

"Distance is a major problem in Australia. In Holland you can travel everywhere by car and you can see many games. And of course the tele-

The pair talked about Dutch soccer as Wilson had been with Dutch First Division club Feyenoord for nine months.

Wilson suggested Massa come with him to a training session. It was there that Canberra coach George Murray told Massa that he wanted to sign him.

Massa returned to Holland and went to the Australian embassy in The Hague. He gained a visa as a temporary resident when he returned to Canberra and signed with Murray's side.

After he had been seen against Blacktown everyone wanted to know about the tall Dutchman.

Massa was 10 when he joined NEC in Holland as an amateur 15 years ago.

When he was 15 he signed for First Division club Telstar as a professional along with three other youngsters from his home town Nijmegen, near the German border.

For a year the youngsters travelled to Telstar's training five days a week. It was the kind of professional outlook which Massa believes is missing in developing young players here.

"When I was 14 I was training four times a week for an hour and a half each session."

"Australian boys seem to start getting a taste of professionalism when they are about 15 or 16 and even then they only train perhaps twice a week."

But after a year the other three Nijmegen youngsters

weren't signed on by Telstar. Massa was but he couldn't share the four-hour driving burden to and from the training ground with his three friends. The burden proved too great. After another year he left Telstar and returned to amateur status in his home town.

Then came the visit to Australia and his chance meeting with Wilson.

Massa found Australian soccer to be similar to British soccer, with its emphasis on physical aspects.

"The standard of the PSL is quite good but you hardly could compare it with European soccer," he said.

"The game in Europe has much more emphasis on technique."

"It's the same difference between English and Dutch soccer."

"English soccer is very physical whereas Dutch soccer is more skilful, with the emphasis on ball playing."

"The way I see things in Europe now is that the Eastern European sides are emerging as top teams."

"That's because they have found a good blend between the physical and ball playing aspects of the game."

"To prove the point I am making about the difference between English and European soccer just watch leading English First Division club Ipswich."

"It has two Dutchmen in the first team, Franz Thijssen and Arnold Muehren, and whenever they are on the ball they are shown a great deal of respect. They seem to have so much time to do whatever they want with the ball."

But Massa has been impressed with the skill of PSL club Sydney Olympic.

"I can't believe that Olympic is low down the ladder because it is the most skillful side I've seen here."

"It's got the right blend. It is hard at the back, hard and fast in midfield and fast and skilful up front."

Massa mainly has mixed with soccer people during his stay here. He's unemployed but is looking for a job. His wife works as a hairdresser. What does he want from Australian soccer?

"Well, first of all I want to play in the Canberra side which wins the PSL championship."

"A lot depends on getting a job and how things go with my family life here but right now I'm looking at staying here for four, perhaps five years."

"The weather's great and everyone I've met has been good to me."

And a last word on Massa's dilemma — Australia or New Zealand?

"I've played against some of the Australian players and they are very good. But I don't know what the result will be. We'll all have to wait and see."



Attila Abonyi  
coaching kids

## King of Kids holds court

With Rale Basic, the King of the Kids, based in Sydney once more, the Australian Soccer Camps clinics next month are expected to be the most successful yet.

Australian Soccer Camps (ASC) are now in their sixth year. Their school holiday programme at Dural will run from May 11 to 15 and May 18 to 22.

Boys who attend will learn not only from Rale Basic but also from the following:

Attila Abonyi, all-time top scorer of the Socceroos, now coach of Riverwood, in the NSW State League;

Allan Maher, national team goalkeeper of Marconi-Datsum;

Mark Jankovics, another Socceroo from Marconi, Mark

was top scorer in the PSL in 1979;

Richie Williams, schoolteacher and star forward of Melita Eagles, he will run the 6-9 years "sport and fun" group;

John O'Neill, former Irish international, now coach of Guildford;

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\* Played one more game than the rest.

## PHILIPS LEAGUE TEAM OF WEEK

In brackets — number of appearances in this team —

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(Adel. C.) (Brisb. L.) (W'gong) (W. Adel.)

MAROCCHI (1)  
(Adel. C.) J. NYSKOHUS (1)  
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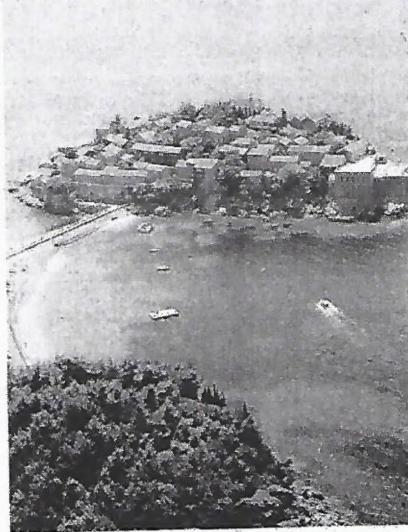


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### THIS WEEK'S VOTES

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 1 (Stevenson) WOLLONGONG CITY 0 (Middle Park). Votes by Laurie Schwab:

6 Evans (SM), 5 Tymczyszyn (WA), 4 Koussas (SO), 2 Bulovic (SM), 1 Trederrick (W).

BRIXTON CITY 2 (Hamilton 2) BLACKTOWN CITY 1 (Colina) at Spencer Park. Votes by Bruce Waddell:

6 Burrows (Black), 5 Palinkas (BC), 4 Milovanovic (Black),

3 Dunne (BC), 2 Selvage (Black), 1 Cox (BC).

SYDNEY CITY 1 (Soures) BRISBANE LIONS 1 (Millman) at Sydney Athletic Field. Votes by Tom Anderson:

6 Hermiston (BL), 5 Clarke (SC), 4 Kosmina (SC), 3 Scanlon (BL), 2 Ontong (BL), 1 Millman (BL).

PRESTON MAKEDONIA 3 (Higham, Ollerton, Brown)

APIA-LEICHARDT 1 (Giampaolo) at Connor Reserve, Vote Plaza, by Dick Prendergast:

6 Brown (P), 5 Ollerton (P), 4 Woodhouse (APIA), 3 Flat-

ville (P), 2 Cullen (P), 1 Giampaolo (APIA).

CANBERRA CITY 0 (Gibson 3, Brennan, McLaren) FOOTY Free, SCRAY J.U.S.T. 0 at Bruce Stadium. Votes by Peter Windsor:

6 Gibson (C), 5 Byrne (C), 4 Farrell (C), 3 O'Reilly (F), 2 Belic (F), 1 Boland (F).

MARCONI 3 (Shame 2, Jankovics) HEIDELBERG 1 (Yzen-

doorn) at Marconi Stadium. Votes by Rogers Sharrock:

6 Sharne (M), 5 Calderon (M), 4 Tansy (H), 3 Maher (M), 2

LAIDE 1 (Tymczyszyn pcon) at Pratten Park. Ratings by Ted Smithies:

6 Jennings (SO), 5 Tymczyszyn (WA), 4 Koussas (SO), 3

Cotton (SO), 2 Katholos (SO), 1 K. Wilson (SO).

ADELAIDE CITY 4 (J. Nyskohus 2, Villani, Russell) NEW-

CASTLE 1 (Kamasz) at Olympic Sports Field. Ratings by

Mano Toutaidea:

6 Marocchi (AC), 5 J. Nyskohus (AC), 4 Mitchell (AC), 3

Russell (AC), 2 Senakshi (N), 1 Parin (AC).

Leaders:

33. Ollerton (Mak), Brown (Mak), Kosmina (SC).

32. Hermiston (BL).

31. T. Byrne (Can).

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# Does Hellas have what it takes?

The recent experimental Saturday game in Sydney between Blacktown City and South Melbourne Hellas allowed me to have a look at the team some people call the champion elect.

The gate of under 3000 was disappointing for the local club, but it did include many coaching celebrities, notably Rudi Gutendorf, Les Schenling, Alan Vest, Ken Morton, Eric Worthington and Jimmy Shoulder (who handled the Canberra Institute youth team in the game).

I sat among the crowd on the half-time line, as I always prefer to do, because it is so much better to study the game from there, undistracted by people you know.

On this occasion Melbourne coach Jim Adam saw me sitting there and came over.

I did not mind Jim being there as he had once played for South Melbourne and had quite

a lot of information on its players.

Before the game started he said that I should watch out for the weakness of South Melbourne's Peter Laumets in the air.

I was particularly interested in having another look at Alan Davidson at full back for Hellas.

On the previous occasion I watched him, last year at the Sydney Showground against St. George, I had been particularly impressed by his composed skill, but had found him struggling to contain players defensively.

The crowd enthused over an interesting game which South Melbourne dominated for most



**Mike Johnson**

of the first half, but Blacktown had enough of the play to mount several dangerous attacks which caused one supporter to remark what an improvement this performance was.

I commented to Jim Adam that previous home games must have been diabolical for such a remark.

Indeed, the Press the next day was quite enthusiastic about the game, especially about the part Blacktown played in it.

I found neither the game nor the Blacktown performance to be particularly outstanding and it makes one wonder at the quality of skill and commitment displayed in other Philips League games for it to have had such a good rating.

I find the reporting of so many of our games to be still so very superficial, with little attempt to interpret what is really happening in games.

So many reports are almost exclusively made up of statements such as "A passed to B" and "B scored" which has little interest to most people.

People do not want to know just what happened, often five days after a game, they want to know WHY.

For example, in the Blacktown-South clash no reporter noted the repeated errors made by Peter Laumets as he tried to take crosses.

This culminated in costing his team a point when toward

the end he once more came too far early for a cross and ended up close to the corner of the six-yard box, completely missing the ball which was headed home by Blacktown substitute Peter Čuk.

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Cummings, who is still to re-establish himself, there is a distinct lack of pace in South's team which forces it to play its methodical build-up style.

One gets the impression that it is a team which could be hustled and hustled out of its stride rather easily.

This impression was confirmed by the ease with which Blacktown achieved this in the second half.

On the other hand Newcastle, the type of team one would expect to trouble South, failed to make an impression and was beaten the following week 2-0.

Nevertheless I still feel that because of its goalkeeper's problems in the air and the general make-up of the team, South will have many harrowing times as it pursues its first ever Philips League championship.

An injury to Evans or Rogers could be crucial.

## WHITTLE HERE, AND NOW ADAMS?

Preston Makedonia isn't sitting back on its coup in signing top English professional Alan Whittle.

Whittle should be available for this weekend's game against Wollongong along with another English import, Terry Nolan from Southport.

And Makedonia coach Brian Edgley has shown interest in Frankston City stopper Bob Adams.

Edgley rang Frankston's Director of Coaching John Pryde with a tentative offer for Adams. Edgley was interested in swapping Stewart Cunningham for the tall stopper now in his eleventh season with the Baysiders.



**Bob Adams**

Frankston is more interested in getting Cunningham and Eric Lesbirel for Adams.

But it's all up to "Big Bob". He's been a loyal servant to Frankston and his ties with the club and his team mates may outweigh the lure of the PSL. — CRAIG MACKENZIE

## Bob bounces back

For a striker to survive a couple of years in the perpetual obstacle course that constitutes the lower divisions of the English League is a considerable achievement. To have endured ten seasons, as Newcastle KB Raiders' Bob Mountford can claim, is an accomplishment that the Bionic Man would be proud of.

Born in Stoke-on-Trent, Mountford made his debut for Third Division Port Vale, the City's "second club", at Fulham in 1970.

At the time Vale, captained by former KB United stalwart Bill Summerscales, was a solid, middle-of-the-table outfit.

The presence of Irish international striker Sammy Morgan restricted Mountford's first team appearance and it wasn't until Morgan's transfer to Aston Villa in 1973 that he became a regular member of the Vale forward line.

It was Mountford's subsequent insistence upon playing him in midfield that led to his transfer request, and after loan periods at Scunthorpe United and Crewe Alexandra, he joined Rochdale and thus commenced a seven-year stint in the Fourth Division.

Mountford was leading goalscorer in each of his three seasons at Rochdale before transferring to Huddersfield Town in 1977.

Twelve weeks later he was on the move again, this time to Halifax Town.

The highlight of three seasons at The Shay was undoubtedly Town's shock 1-0 FA Cup victory over Malcolm Allison's star-studded Manchester City last year, Mountford giving City's Tommy Catton a torrid afternoon in the Halifax mud.

Surprisingly placed on the transfer list at the end of the 1979-80 campaign, Mountford was given trials by both Crewe Alexandra and Macclesfield County.

A two-goal performance for Stockport against Doncaster Rovers convinced watching Alan Vest that Mountford could still perform a substantial role with his club.

Mountford, who made nine "guest" appearances for the Northern New South Wales club in 1978, could prove to be the final piece in Vest's jigsaw, his strength, power and determination supplementing the skill which the Raiders obviously have in abundance.

Scoring 61 goals during his 267 English League appearances, the battle-scarred veteran will be eager to improve his strike rate in Newcastle's cause.

— PAUL MOON

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This week's hat-trick heroes are:

1. Gudell, five goals, M. Blazevic, R. Amatowski (Dandenong C); Andrew Dicks, 10 (Springvale);

Peter Miletic, 10, four goals, Ricardo Soldaini, 10, five goals (Sunshine C); Chris Grimmer, 13, Mal Pearson, 13, Gary Barlow, 13 (Twin City Wanderers); Steve Prskalo, 13

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Generally he lacked alertness and awareness in defensive situations, often marking space when an attacker was free close by.

With South Melbourne's player strength, it may be able to afford the luxury of a defender of the style of David-

son.

It could be a different approach for Australia in a crucial World Cup game.

Souths play a methodical game, much of it depending on the ability of Alan Evans to receive balls and direct play up front.

Shirra and Stevenson are very similar players, both beautiful receivers and passers of the ball in the player-fashion but neither is fast, tenacious and they rely a lot on Billy Rogers to win balls for them in midfield.

Indeed, apart from Duncan

## Ripper footy for all youse dinks

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

G'day. It's yer old mate Bluey here again.

The "Soccer Action" newspaper called me in to give all youse dinks out there a run-down on Sunday arvo's PSL games.

Ye see, the usual "Soccer Action" crowd have been ramming these bloody ethnic names down everyone's throat and now that they're blackbanned it's Bluey turn to add a slurp of fair dinkum Australiana to the soccer mixture here.

But be warned. Any ethinc out there seen reading this bonzer little article will be forced to recite the unabridged Patterson's complete anthology and watch every "Number 96" serial ever made. Twice.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Ve has ways of makin' you assimilate.

I reckon every bloke who trots off to the Wollongong and Preston Makedonia game on Sunday is in for a real beaut treat. (Correction: Please read that paragraph again and delete the word Makedonia. Sorry.)

Preston/Makedonia/Rams/Merinos (please tick your preference) have a couple of greyhounds wide on the flanks called Doug Brown and Rob Cutts.

Geoz can these blokes burn!

Now that Wollongong/Wolves/Gunners are without the mighty little Clive Campbell and Brian Turner they seem a bit unmannned.

They've got no-one up front to go in for the hard ball. Most of the guys up there are good at getting into the clear, taking a quick handball and

getting the run-on game flowing, but against the aggressive Preston boys I reckon the home side might have to settle for a draw on Sunday.

Newcastle's Bob Mountford is one of the best full forwards in the league. He's a bloody big bloke and he knows how to throw his weight around.

If Brisbane City sweeper Jimmy Dunne plays from behind he'll end up hiding from the big KB bloke. I don't know how often our commentators have to make the point that the guy in front is going to win most decisions from the umpy.

I reckon Newcastle/Norths/United/Raiders/Six Packz are gonna show Brisbane City/Gladiators/Anzacs what pressure footy is all about.

Just checked through my stats on the players from Brisbane Lions and Canterbury/Awrons/Woomeras, the two sides which battle it out at Richlands/Bjelke Petersen Stadium on Sunday.

Lions rover Paul Ontong is the highest kick getter in the league so far. His ability to scoop the packs and pick up the crumbs from the big blokes is really standing out this year.

Canberra full back Richard Wilson is over in Kiwi country preparing for the grudge match between the two sides and he'll be a bloody big loss.

Wilson's a champion one-grab defender. Actually I reckon he's the best full back in the league.

But the Lions are a top side defensively. They've got a team of champions at the back but as the old saying goes a team of champions doesn't always make a champion team so I reckon a draw's looking spot-on up there in the banana bender's state.

IN SYDNEY  
APIA Leichhardt v Adelaide City (draw) at Lambert Park, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1979 - APIA 1-0, 1-1, 1980 - AC 2-0, APIA 2-1.

IN WOLLONGONG  
Wollongong v Preston Makedonia (draw) at Wollongong Showgrounds, Sunday, 3 pm.

IN NEWCASTLE  
NEWCASTLE v Brisbane City at International Sports Centre, Sydney, 2.30 pm. Previous results: 1978 - BC 3-2, Newc 2-1, 1979 - Newc 4-1, 1-1, 1980 - Newc 2-1, 1-2. Advantage Newcastle 3 wins, 2 draws, 1 loss. Goals: 12.8.

IN BRISBANE  
Brisbane Lions v Canberra (draw) at Richlands Stadium, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1977 - BL 2-1, Canb 1-0, 1978 - Canb 2-1, 2-2, 1979 - BL 3-0, 2-1, 1980 - BL 4-2, 0-0. Advantage Lions 4 wins, 2 draws, 2 losses. Goals: 13.9.

APIA/Leichhardt/Strikers/Builders and Laborers will be put under the hammer by the visiting Adelaide on Sunday.

They're two champion sides and it's just a matter of which side produces the goods on the day.

I'll have a fiver on the home side because I reckon it's gonna make the final four this year and has a top chance of getting into the grand final.

Seems that Saturday arvo's game in Auckland has left Sydney whatyoumacalit and South Melbourne thingamejiggers with three blokes apiece in the Roo squad.

There's no flies on the guys what run these two clubs.

They reckon that with three champions missing from their line-ups the other mob is gonna get an unfair advantage.

So they asked the blokes up at the PSL headquarters to play the white man and give them a go.

In keeping with a good Aussie tradition the games look all set to be called off.

So that's it folks, until Bluey's champion writing is needed once more.

I'll leave you with me own little saying:

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# Rudi angry over Cole and Turner

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**Gary Cole**



**Brian Turner**

Let's not overlook the fact that his coaching career developed in soccer-mad countries where the tabloid scandal sheets engage in cut-throat competition for the most sensational headlines.

Gutendorf has been the subject of many such headlines. He now knows how to inspire them — and what's more he's proud of that ability.

It is that very ability that has made him a leading "personality" in Australian sports.

And the same ability has made the Socceroos more popular than ever before.

As a coach, he has a good eye for a player and is quick to spot a player's weaknesses. It's true that his personnel changes have been excessive but had the ASF appointed a local coach rather than one from overseas, all these changes never would have been necessary.

A local coach would have known the players and their abilities. Gutendorf only could rely on other people's advice, which he did and still does, or on watching club games.

The difficult process has resulted in mistakes. For example, Gutendorf made Ivo Prskalo his No. 1 choice as liber for two years, even though Prskalo was as old as Jimmy Rooney, who was discarded by Gutendorf because he was "too old". Now Prskalo is out and a new man has to fill the position.

John Coyne was described by Gutendorf as "Australia's Nobby Stiles" but he was discarded after the China tour over a couple of indifferent performances, yet he is back in form and clearly a player who fits Gutendorf's mould better than O'Connor's.

Roberto Echeverria of Brisbane City and Stuart Baxter of South Melbourne Hellas were in the squad even though they were not naturalised and, indeed, returned to their home countries soon afterwards.

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## Century for Palinkas, Rasic disappointed

**Brisbane City 2**

**Blacktown 1**

**Scorers:** Brisbane City 1 Hamilton 43rd & 87th; Blacktown: Culina 85th.

**Ground:** Spencer Park.

**Weather:** fine.

**Crowd:** about 2000.

**Referee:** D. Miles 8.

**Captains:** Dunn (BC).

**BRISBANE CITY:** Cai 7, Per 7, Radcliffe 5, Dunn 7, W. Wilkinson 7, Gaffney 6, Pimblett 6, Hamilton 7, Palinkas 7, P. Wilkinson 6, Kelso 6 (Conner 71st).

**BLACKTOWN:** James 5, Wheaten 7, Milosevic 5, Pointer 6, O'Donnell 6, Selvage 7, Horanababel 6, Culina 6, Djordjevic (Milosevic 20th,



**MATCH RATING:**

**7**

61. Burrows 6, Wallace 6 (Rasmussen 48th).

"This is the fourth time we have thrown away a silly goal in the last few minutes," lamented Rale Rasic after Black-

town first had a point, then lost it, Brisbane City retained their unbeaten home record.

"We outplayed them in every department yet finished with nothing. A goalkeeping mistake cost us the first goal and we hit the woodwork twice," said Rasic.

Admittedly Blacktown did meet the woodwork twice, but Paul Wilkinson also suffered the same fate in the second half, the fifth time it has happened to him at home this year.

Yet overall Blacktown certainly did deserve to share the spoils. City again did their best to waste a halftime lead by squandering several easy second half chances. However they did display

some character by bouncing back immediately for the winner, only two minutes after Blacktown had put them to bed.

Blacktown could not make a trick in this game in the first half. Firstly, Craig Wallace's header hit the crossbar with Martin Cai stranded in the third minute, following a near move between Branko Culina and Jimmy Rooney-lookalike Stewart Selvage.

Then in the 20th minute, Blacktown's highly-rated former Yugoslav Olympic representative, Jovan Djordjevic limped off the park, still disabled at a professional foul which earned Jimmy Dunn the only booking of the match.

Djordjevic was making a recovery race for Blacktown and played with his right thigh heavily strapped.

He pushed a ball past Dunn but as he attempted to round the City sweeper he was halted in his tracks by a deliberate blocking tackle. The incident happened in the 8th minute but Djordjevic lasted another 12 before surrendering.

The man of the match in this game played on the losing side. He was former Newcastle striker Paul Burrows, whoseousy performance up front continually hassled the City backline.

But Burrows should have punished City when he was allowed to accept a long clearance from Bruce James and as the defence watched, seemingly mesmerised, he rattled his shot just wide.

Just before halftime City scored a goal which never looked likely to eventuate when Steve Perrin crossed from the right and the ball eventually fell for Larry Gaffney deep on the left.

Gaffney whacked the ball into the goalmouth where James dived and fumbled, allowing Bobby Hamilton to clear in and finish off.

City's most dangerous forward on the day was Joe Palinkas, playing in his 10th PSL match, and he just shaded Paul Wilkinson for the honours.



Olympic star Graham Jennings (left) with APIA's Rod Skellern

**MATCH RATING:**

**6**

**Scorers:** Olympic: Koussas 2, Cotton; West Adelaide: Tymczyszyn penalty.

**Venue:** Pratten Park.

**Crowd:** 6120.

**Referee:** Tim Davies 6.

**OLYMPIC:** P. Wilson 7 — Moulis 5, Ziros 8, K. Wilson 8, Palmer 8 — Raskopoulos 6, Katholos 8 — Leing 7, Cotton 8 (Cross 80th), Koussas 8, Jennings 9.

**WEST ADELAIDE:** Crook 7 — Maricic 6 (Haig 6 47th), Kambas 6, Tymczyszyn 9, Bozanic 8 — Honeyman 6, McKit 7, Topaz 8 — Manecus 5, (Hughes 71st), Brown 8, Wright 8.

# Ollerton, Brown wreck APIA

**P. Makedonia 3**  
**APIA-L'hardt 1**

**Goals:** Higham 11th, Ollerton 30th, Brown 53rd (Preston), Giampolo 19th (Leichhardt).

**Ground:** Connor Reserve, Reservoir.

**Crowd:** 3500 (estimate).

**Weather:** cloudy, cool.

**Caution:** Morsello.

**Referee:** S. Mellings (Vic).

**PRESTON:** Clayton 6, Rainey 6, Petrovski 6, Higham 6, Beech 6, Flavelle 8, Luchessi 7, Faulkner 6 (Leslie 81st), Culkin 8, Ollerton 9, Brown 9.

**LEICHARDT:** Worldwide 7, Skellern 6, Watt 6, Wilson 6, McAusland 6, Keika 7, Leyden 6, Hughes 6, O'Connor 7, Morsello 6, Giampolo 7.

**Preston** may not win the championship but they remain one of the most entertaining side to watch with their all out attacking style.

Whereas in most matches one can keep count of the scoring chances with comparative ease, this match provided enough shots to fill a notebook.

Peter Ollerton, back to his best, and Doug Brown, returning after suspension, both tested Greg Woodhouse several times apart from scoring the goals that mattered for the home side.

Robert Culkin did nearly as much as the pair and came within inches of ending up on the scoresheet himself, hitting the crossbar after 23 minutes.

But if the forward line takes most of the glory when the side wins, the defence did deserve as much credit on this occasion for it was their dominance in the middle of the park that provided the source of the attacks.

Greg Flavelle had his best moment of the season, overshadowing Alan Hughes and setting up the second and third goal, while Claude Luchessi also had a good match going forward and twice tested Woodhouse himself.

Leichhardt's only answer to the threat was Zdenko Kafka who held his own for the opening half hour but slowly drifted out of the match after half time.

The visiting side gave as good as it got in the first 20 minutes and Sebastian Giampolo, Rod Skellern and Hughes all had shots on target which tested Gary Clayton before Giampolo headed home Liechardt's goal, rising unchallenged to meet Kafka's cross from the right after a short corner.

Up till then Preston had looked tentative although it had grabbed the lead in the 11th minute through Higham, its few other skirmishes up front provided no real danger for Greg Woodhouse.

Then in the 20th minute, Blacktown's highly-rated former Yugoslav Olympic representative, Jovan Djordjevic limped off the park, still disabled at a professional foul which earned Jimmy Dunn the only booking of the match.

Even Higham's goal was the result of a defensive misjudgment by Peter Wilson and David Watt who both tried to clear and missed Brown's free kick.

But the tide turned after 23 minutes when Wilson, seemingly safely shielding a Doug Brown through ball, was robbed by Culkin near the byline and the nippy winger rounded the keeper before hitting a shot under pressure against the bar.

Flavelle came into his own on the half hour setting up Ollerton with a crossfield centre

and the Slickers equalised seven minutes later when Ron Millman ran onto a great through ball from Bobby Ferris to slip it past Todd Clarke.

Later on the Queslanders caught out the Slickers defence with more of these searching through balls and it was only the fine anticipation of Todd Clarke that saved the day.

The Socceroos on display — captain Murray Barnes and John Kosmina played well within themselves and kept out of trouble.

Kosmina however looked very sharp and I think that he should produce the goods against the Kiwis on Saturday.

Throughout the match he was marked by two or three Brisbane defenders but still managed to lay the ball off.

Unfortunately some of his team-mates failed to take advantage and could not read the situations.

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## Myskolus, Marocchi sparkle

**Adelaide City 4**  
**Newcastle KB 1**

**Scorers:** Adelaide — J. Nyskolas 2, Villani, Russell.

**Cambridge:** Marocchi.

**Ground:** Olympic Sports Field.

**Crowd:** 3100.

**ADELAIDE CITY:** Marshall 11th, Perin 15th 71st — Russel 8, Perin 8, Miller 8, B. Nyskolas 8 — Villani 7, Marocchi 9, J. Nyskolas 9, Metta 8 — Mitchell 8, Northcott 8.

**NEWCASTLE KB:** Dando 7 — Rooney 7, Bertogna 6, Drivins 7, H. Trickett 6, McClatchie 6 — Kamasi 6, Buckley 6 — Kamasi 6, Mountford 6, Jones 15th 61st.

Newcastle KB's inconsistency continued with a 4-1 loss in Adelaide while Bob D'Orsi's charges continued their climb up the PSL ladder.

The KB brains trust has a few problems with its defence.

KB defenders are starting to play the ball short at the back and are getting caught out.

A few KB defenders will be reminded of the value of getting the ball forward safely.

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away with a through ball out of defence. Brown had Culkin available free on the right but elected to attack between him and the goal, then shooting underneath Woodhouse from outside the area.

Brown again came close, meeting a half clearance on the volley to bring another good save off Woodhouse but pace slackened off for the rest of the match with the Leichhardt forward line unable to make an headway against the Preston defence which tightened up after its opening laps.

Giampolo showed no ill effects from his recent hamstring injury and was fairly lively throughout the game, giving his marker Mike Rainey a tough time but his partnership with Tony Morsello has yet to develop before the team can aspire at anything higher than a mid-table position.

## THOMSON GETTING WORRIED

**Sydney City 1**  
**Brisbane Lions 1**

**Scorers:** City - Ian Souness 20th minute. Lions - Ron Millman 27th min.

**Venue:** Sydney Athletic Field.

**Conditions:** Perfect. Crowd: 1726.

**Referee:** Richard Lorenc - 9.

**SYDNEY CITY:** Clarke 8, Souness 7, Bruce 6, O'Connor 6, Spanos 7, Petikas 7, Muniz 6 (Sub Cant 56th 61), Barnes 7, Watson 6, Kosmina 8, Gomez 6 (Sub Murray 72nd).

**BRISBANE LIONS:** Scanlon 8, Ontong 7, Niven 7, Lindsay 6, Bennett 7, Hermitson 9, Hogg 7, McLean 6, Ferris 6, Millman 7, Wright 7.

They came, they played and they went happily home to Brisbane with a valuable point in the kitty.

That's the tale of Brisbane Lions' visit to the Sydney Athletic Field last Sunday.

This was the third time in three seasons that the Queenslanders have come to the big smoke of NSW and gone home with a point.

Indeed, they were unlucky not to have captured two against a Sliders outfit that failed to impress with a very in and out performance.

The Queenslanders were a workmanlike, no-nonsense team.

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# Gibson the sensation

**Canberra 5  
Footscray JUST 0**



Peter Windsor

The biggest crowd of the season at Bruce Stadium turned up to see Canberra's biggest win in the PSL which achieved the club's highest standing on the ladder at this stage of the year.

Ian Gibson, recently arrived from Scotland, was the sensation of the game, scoring a hat-trick, while Ian Purdie also impressed when he came on as a substitute.

J.U.S.T., with the exception of sweeper Jim O'Reilly and midfielder Vlatko Belic, looked every bit a bottom-of-the-table team, and will continue to struggle until reinforcements arrive.

## MATCH RATING:

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Kondoros 6, Petrov 6 — Belic 8, Iloski 6, Jovanovic 6 — Kekantonis 6, Cozzani 6.

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# BUFFALO

## TOLD YOU SO ???

ALTONA 1 (McGarrigle)  
CROYDON 1 (McCombe)

ALTONA: Masseni 8 — P. Whits, Igi, Lewis, 10th, J. K. Wilson, 7, Kilpatrick, 10, McGarrigle 7 — Waters, 8, Innes, 7, Pavlovic 8 — Murphy, 8, Whyte, 7, Gambin 8 — CRODON: Keenan, 6, McCombe 6, Murphy 6, Pugh 7, Morris 6, Hobson 5 — Smith 5 (Sheiglia 6th), Wade 7, Howarth 7 — P. Loughnane, 6, Brogan 6, L. Loughnane 6.

I knew all the time that Altona would take at least a point off the league leader and indeed should have won.

I had no doubts that Altona would give it all, hit Croydon with everything but succumb to a Steve McCombe goal in the 87th minute.

## Croatia back, Gilder off

SUNSHINE 1 (Morovic)  
CROATIA 3 (Gilder 2, Mitterton)

SUNSHINE: Contini 6 — Dickey 7, Ellis 7, Lowe 6 (sent off 65th), Morovic 7 — Muzzell 6, Nelson 6, McFadden 6, McFadden 6, McFadden 6, Laing 6 (Sheiglia 80th).

CROATIA: Blasby 7 — Short 8, Bannon 9, Kokoska 7, Blasby 7 — Trout 7, Kerr 8, Adams 7 — Mitterton 6, Gilder — (sent off 65th), Murphy 7.

Croatia sounded a warning to other State League clubs with a convincing 3-1 win against Sunshine.

The Croatia machine is moving into top gear and running smoothly once more.

After a stuttering start with a loss to Croydon and a draw with Altona, the efficient, interpassing style of previous years is re-emerging.

It had to come soon with the calibre of players in Len McFadden's hands.

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In the 39th minute the inform Gilder notched his second.

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I thought that there was a possibility of an early injury setback for the Kim Reserve locals but I knew that big Paul Lewis would come on and after a nervous start would prove his worth.

I also was sure that Vinko Pavlovic would take Duncan Smith out of the game and Dennis Masseni would continue to show the excellent form which makes him one of the best keepers in the league.

I also knew that Altona coach John Payne would ring me on Monday morning after Sunday's match and would be in a good mood.

The one thing I didn't account for was the admission

from Croydon coach Bill McCarthor who told me that Altona certainly deserved a point and that he felt his side wasn't going to score until McCombe's last gasp leveller.

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But I'm slowly getting used to looking stupid as far as my predictions about Altona's future are concerned.

I didn't realise the level of commitment and fitness which Payne's charges have shown so far.

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## Ajax, George Cross vie for supremacy



*Victorian State League  
with CRAIG MACKENZIE*

**There's more at stake than two points when Green Gully Ajax and George Cross slug it out at Green Gully Reserve this Sunday.**

For the many fans who flock to this match the clash is as much a matter of national and club pride as a game between two rival State League clubs.

The winner will claim the right to be the flag bearer for the Maltese community in Victoria.

The losing fans will probably blame the referee, their players, their committee or even some supernatural cause.

The winning players will be treated like kings in the clubrooms after the match.

That's the kind of aura which surrounds a local Maltese derby.

It's also the sort of glamor which State League officials will hope to foster now that the Croatia-Makedonia rivalry has been broken by Makedonia's departure to the PSL.

True to form I've had to toss a coin to pick the winner. It landed with heads face up so that means Ajax will win.

It's the old heads at Ajax which hold the key to a game played under the cauldron of cup atmosphere.

John Gardiner's commanding presence at the back will enable the Cross where it appears at its weakest - up front.

Ajax lacks a midfield ball winner of the calibre of Ged Bannon and there will be no more creative midfielders on the park than Dave Rigby.

But Ged McLeod will worry Norm Maitland while Kevin Wall is getting into dangerous positions up front and his poaching should soon pay dividends.

Cross could spring a surprise for this match with the appearance of Melbourne youngster Paul Drinoczyk.

The young defender probably will be signed by Jim Adam this week from Second Division club Frankston for \$2,500.

What a baptism for Drinoczy should he play against Ajax!

I think that we'll see the best of Ajax's foreign legion this weekend and although my tips are as deadly as poisoned darts I still think Ajax will win.

Sunshine travels to Croydon Park with new-comer Norrie Pate adding much needed striking power to its line-up.

The Shiners are hopeful that English young-

sters Paul Harvey and Rob Atkins will arrive in time for the Croydon clash.

Sunshine's recent performances suggest that its imported trio will be in immediate demand.

Although the Shiners will fight all the way Croydon should get home by a short half head.

Croatia should continue on the winning trail against Northcote on Sunday.

Carl Gilder will be sorely missed but the added burden on Noel Mitten's shoulders should see the former Hellas' skipper and Frankston attack hit the postural trail. He looked sharp against Sunshine last week and Northcote stopper Alex Nelson, although in fine form, has a hell of a task on his hands to stifle Mitten.

Doveton can open its State League winning account at the expense of Juventus at Gillon Oval on Sunday.

The Doves front line didn't get much of a look-in last week against the Ajax defence but Juventus doesn't boast defenders of the calibre of Stuart Cannell, Gardiner, Paul Lewis and Gerry Bennett.

With Steve Irvine moving Andy McMillan all over the park and Alan Quin running at defenders outside the Doves should break the ice with a win here.

The Hakoah side should be declared a national disaster after recent performances. What's the problem?

On paper Hakoah should do well but when it comes to doing it on the field, forget it!

But I'm banking on the players' pride to get them out of their rut.

Even a point against Ringwood Wilhelmina would be a boost. And that's exactly what I'm going for — a draw.

I don't care how many Altona fans laugh at me but I'm not going to tip Altona this week.

In fact I'm not going to tip.

Good luck to whoever wins the Frankston-Altona game at Centenary Park Sunday.

And if you think that's no trouble, the rumour that if Charlie Egan and Carl Holford don't start smoking and drinking within four weeks then they'll be put on the transfer list.

And if you live in the Frankston area and only have a couple of minutes to spare on Sunday afternoon pop down and watch John Pryde.

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## GEELS HERE NEXT YEAR?

Former Dutch international Ruud Geels (pictured, shooting) may join Ringwood City for the 1982 season.

Geels will become a free player in December and his club Sparta Rotterdam won't be able to hold him. Sparta vetoed a move to get Geels here for a six game guest player stint this season.

Geels, 32, is nicknamed the "White Tornado" and he has the unique distinction of scoring five goals in a First Division game. He was playing for Ajax Amsterdam against his old club Feyenoord.

Geels is likely to start up his own business in Australia.



This weekend's games with likely winners in capitals:

HAKOAH v Ringwood Wilhelmina (draw) at Middle Park, Sunday, 3 pm.

GREEN GULLY AJAX v George Cross at Green Gully Reserve, Sunday, 3 pm.

Juventus v DOVETON at Gillon Oval, Sunday, 3 pm.

CROATIA v Northcote at Olympic Park No. 2, Sunday, 3 pm.

CROYDON v Sunshine at Croydon Park, Sunday, 3 pm.

Frankston v Altona at Centenary Park, Sunday, 3 pm.

## Fighting Doves!



DOVETON 0 GREEN GULLY AJAX 0

DOVETON: Ivanoff 8 - Thurlow 8, Merrick 8, Corke 9, McConville 8 (by Willcock 75th) - Train 7, Banday 6, McLeod 5 - Cherie 5, Irvine 5, Quin 6.

AJAX: Denya 7 - Lewis 7, Cannell 4, Gardner 8, Bennett 7 - Grechian 4, Vassallo 4, Williams 5 - Wall 6, McLeod 6, Morrey 6 (by Hobson 60th).

Doveton's fierce commitment and Ajax's midfield weakness produced a game highlighted by the organisation of both defences. A 0-0 draw was a fair result.

Waratah Reserve isn't place for faint hearts.

Unfortunately for Ajax the soft hearted approach from a couple of its midfielders allowed the Doves to come out on top in most 50-50 challenges.

Doveton import Kim Juventus gave Kit Geeschke acres of room in the back half which Grechian failed to exploit. Jim Williams often found himself forced into carrying the ball out of midfield and taking on opponents while Willie Vassallo never really got going.

The two outstanding players were the stoppers at different ends of the ground. Stuart Cannell ruled supreme all day. He won almost everything in the air and didn't give Steve Irvine an inch.

Paul Corke stuck to Gus McLeod like glue. Corke was always at McLeod's back as the bustling Ajax striker came off him and the slimly built Donnigan stopped him in his tracks. McLeod never turned a hair.

The Doves either side came to scoring late in the game when John Gardiner took a free kick just outside the area on Ajax's left. Gardiner chipped the ball over the Doveton defence to Kevin Wall who had timed his run well. Wall tried to spin around and volley the ball past the advancing Lou Ivanoff. Wall missed, the ball ran to Peter Lewis who hammered it toward goal.

Ernie Merrick had run in behind Ivanoff and the ball rebounded off his body into Ivanoff's hands.

Homegrown striker John McDonald is transfer listed.

It is believed that the asking price for a State League club is \$15,000 and \$600 for a Metro First Division club.

## TEAM OF THE WEEK

MASSENI  
(Altona)

WILKINSON P. BANNON CANNELL CORKE  
(G. Cross) (Croatia) (Ajax) (D'ton)

GAMBIN KRIARIS PAVLOVIC  
(G. Cross) (N'cote) (Altona)

PENZO GILDER EGAN  
(Juve) (Croatia) (F'ton)

## STATE LEAGUE

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Croydon.....	2	1	0	8	4	5
Ajax.....	2	1	0	4	1	5
Juventus.....	2	0	1	4	3	4
Frankston.....	2	1	1	6	6	3
Croatia.....	1	1	1	4	4	3
Ringwood.....	0	3	0	3	3	3
Doveton.....	1	0	2	5	5	2
Northcote.....	1	0	2	3	3	2
Geo. Cross.....	0	2	1	3	4	2
Altona.....	0	2	1	3	4	2
Sunshine.....	1	0	2	4	2	2
Hakoah.....	0	1	2	3	7	1

## Egan top scorer

\* General Tourist Travel Service will sponsor the State League Top Scorer award. The winner receives a return trip for two to New Zealand. Leading scorers are:

- 4 - Egan (F),
- 3 - 1. Loughnane (Croy),
- 2 - Salimidis (N), McLeod (GGA), Jemalou (H), Incantalupo (J), Bogan (Croy), Adams, Gilder (C).

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RINGWOOD 2 (Greene, O'Callaghan) FRANKSTON 3 (Egan, 2, Gillespie)

\* RINGWOOD: Fahey 8 - Paesman 7, Layton 7, Brooks 7, Anderson 7 - Brown 6, McLeod 7, Bagnall 8, Morris 7 - Green, 5, O'Reilly 7, Tandy 7.

FRANKSTON: Gilmore 7 - Thompson 7, Adams 7, McChesney 7, Gillaspie 7, Adams 7 - Wade 7, Wabro 7.

GEO. CROSS: Egan 7 - Lewis 7, Williams 8, Bannon 7, Gillaspie 7 - Adams 7, McLeod 7.

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## Euro Cups on 2EA

Melbourne radio 2 EA will broadcast the second-leg semi-final clashes Bayern Munich v. Liverpool (European Cup) and Cologne v. Ipswich (UEFA Cup) from 4.15 am tomorrow (Thursday).

## Adams for Croatia

Victorian State League club Essendon Croatia has received AFSA and Immigration Department approval to bring Kevin Adams here from England.

Adams' older brother Keith started negotiations between Kevin and Croatia.

The 18 year old attacking midfielder is playing with Ashbrook Sparta.

## Junior regional trials

Victorian under-15 coach Ian Petherick will hold special regional trials at Port Melbourne on Saturday, May 9 at 9.30 pm.

The trials are mainly for boys who have missed out on previous trials due to other sporting commitments or the inability of their club secretary to inform or nominate them for trials.

You do not need your club's permission to attend this coming trial. Just get your parents to take you to Port Melbourne's ground.

For further information ring Ian Petherick on 363 3184.

## EUROPE

**YUGOSLAVIA**  
Red Star 2 Napoli 0, Budućnost 2 Hajduk 0, Vojvodina 1, OFK Beograd 1, Velez 3 Zagreb 1, Vardar 1, Radnički 1, Dinamo 2, Partizan 0, Željezničar 2, Šibenik 0, Dinamo 0, Sarajevo 1, Željezničar 0, Rijeka 0.

### GREECE

Aris 0, Olympiacos 0, Ethnikos 0 Park 2, Aek 3, Panionios 1, Kastoria 1, Panathinaikos 1, Panachaiki 1, Apollon 0, Larisa 1, Korinthos 1, Doxa 1, Aris 0, Iraklis 1, Iraklis 2, Paerselefs 2, Panachaiki 0.

### NETHERLANDS

Bronschot 1, Ganti 0, Berchem 2, Rodenbost 1, FC Utrecht 5, ADO Den Haag 3, Standard Liège 4, Lierse 6, Hasselt 2, Leuven 5, Waterschei 1, Molenbeek 1, Brugge 1.

### SPAIN

Rodalío 1, Getafe 2, Madrid 5, Real Zaragoza 1, Real Valladolid 1, Valencia 2, Albacete 1, Barcelona 0, Athletic Bilbao 1, Hercules 5, Sevilla 1, Real Betis 1, Real Murcia 0, Real Sevillista 2, Espanyol 1, Las Palmas 3, Sporting 1, Osasuna 2, Valencia 0.

### ROMANIA

Nimicu Vitan Cluj 2, Buzau 1, Prundă 1, Valea 1, Tigris Mureş 2, Bucureşti Dinamo 0, Craiova 1, Universitatea 4 Timișoara 1, Galați 1, Petroșani 1, Oltchim Bacău 3, Jasi Politehnica 1, Braşov 0, Gheorgheni 1, Arad 1, Constanța 4, Argeş 1, Petrolul Stalău 1, Cetatea Cluj-Napoca Universitatea 0, Olt 0, Bihor Mureş 0.

### USSR

Ararat Yerevan 3, Pakhtakor Tashkent 1, Zestafoni 0, Dinamo Moscow 0, Central Army 1, Leningrad 0, Dinamo Kiev 1, Spartak 0.

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Waverley City 8 1 2 2 11 8 4 Royal Park 8 3 2 12 11 5

Waverley City 8 1 2 2 11 8 4 Sandringham City 8 1 3 2 8 12 5

Malvern 8 2 0 4 8 22 4 Nunawading 8 1 2 3 4 8 4

Arden 8 2 0 4 5 13 2 Brighton 8 1 2 3 8 14 4

Fawreton JUST 5 0 0 5 18 0 Cheltenham 8 1 0 5 18 2

DIVISION THREE

Bell Park 8 4 2 0 18 8 10 Thornton 8 3 2 12 13 3 11

Warriewood 8 4 1 1 14 8 9 Nunawading 8 2 0 2 12 10 10

St Albans 8 3 1 2 21 11 7 Necrobarcik 8 2 0 2 14 8 7

Broadmeadows City 8 0 2 2 2 12 12 6 Hamlyn Rangers 8 4 1 1 3 6 9

Port Melbourne 8 1 3 2 7 8 5 Sandringham City 8 3 1 2 14 8 7

Hawthorn 8 2 1 3 12 15 7 Carlton 8 2 2 2 15 8 6

Essendon City 8 1 3 2 8 12 5 Geelong 8 1 2 2 10 11 4

Essendon City 8 1 3 2 8 12 5 South Melbourne 8 1 2 2 10 11 4

Carlton 8 1 1 4 8 29 3 Boronia 8 0 2 4 8 15 2

Carlo 8 2 0 4 11 11 4 Grangebrook 8 0 2 4 8 15 2

Coburg 8 1 2 3 8 13 4 Nunawading 8 0 0 8 5 24 0

RESERVES

Repton Utd 8 5 0 1 15 7 11 Hobson Utd 8 0 0 1 15 7 10

Frankston City 8 5 0 1 16 7 11 Thornton 8 1 1 2 12 19 3

Bell Park 8 4 0 2 11 8 9 Nunawading 8 2 0 2 12 10 10

Yarraville 8 2 2 2 14 12 6 Hamlyn Rangers 8 4 1 1 4 8 9

Etham 8 2 2 2 10 10 8 Carlton 8 3 2 1 13 6 9

Hawthorn 8 3 0 1 11 8 4 Geelong 8 0 2 3 11 12 7

St. Albans 8 1 2 2 8 13 4 Moorabbin 8 2 2 2 15 10 6

Werribee 8 1 2 2 8 13 4 Essendon City 8 2 2 2 10 13 8

DIVISION ONE PROVISIONAL LEAGUE

Thornton 8 5 0 1 12 3 11 Hobson Utd 8 4 0 2 12 19 3

Geelong 8 2 2 2 11 12 6 Nunawading 8 2 0 2 14 8 7

Malvern 8 2 2 2 12 13 6 Hamlyn Rangers 8 4 1 1 3 6 9

South Melbourne 8 1 2 2 11 12 6 Carlton 8 1 1 4 8 29 3

Carlton 8 2 2 2 10 10 8 Geelong 8 1 2 2 10 11 4

Geelong 8 1 2 2 10 10 8 Werribee 8 0 0 8 0 0 0

RESERVES

Yarraville 8 5 0 1 17 4 10 Rosedale 8 4 1 18 3 9 University of Melb. 8 4 2 19 3 8 Bell Park 8 1 1 11 11 10 Menzies 8 3 2 1 11 8 8

Malvern 8 2 4 4 7 15 4 Werribee 8 1 1 4 8 11 2 Broadmeadows 8 0 0 8 5 14 2 West Melbourne 8 0 0 8 5 0 0 0

District League and Industrial Leagues results will available due to Easter holiday.

# SCORES, LADDERS

South Delight 8 1 2 3 8 13 4

Mahon 8 2 0 4 5 19 4

Brunswick 8 0 2 4 5 15 4

Carlton 8 0 0 8 21 0

DIVISION TWO PROVISIONAL LEAGUE

North Geelong 8 5 1 2 22 3 10

East Brunswick 8 4 1 1 12 10 9

Karingal Utd 8 3 2 1 2 11 6 7

Leweswood 8 3 2 1 2 11 6 7

Shepparton City 8 2 2 2 11 6 8

Newtown 8 2 2 2 11 6 8

Ballarat 8 2 2 2 8 12 6

Hawthorn 8 2 2 2 10 12 6

South Yarra 8 2 2 2 10 12 6

Altona Utd 8 0 2 4 5 12 2

Clayton 8 1 0 5 8 20 2

### RESERVES

Shepparton City 8 5 0 1 11 11 10

North Geelong 8 5 4 1 19 10 7

Karingal Utd 8 4 1 1 12 7 9

East Brunswick 8 4 1 1 11 11 7

Lake Utd 8 3 2 1 18 12 7

Hawthorn 8 3 2 1 18 12 7

South Yarra 8 3 2 1 18 12 7

Altona Utd 8 1 1 4 8 19 2

Clayton 8 5 0 1 4 12 2

### RESERVES

Rosedale 8 5 0 1 17 3 10

Bell Park 8 14 1 17 3 10

Clifton Hill 8 1 1 11 11 10

Regent 8 4 1 1 9 8 9

University of Melb. 8 3 1 2 9 8 7

Moonee Valley 8 3 2 1 2 4 9 7

Bellarine 8 3 2 1 2 4 9 7

Yarraville 8 3 2 1 2 4 9 7

University of Melb. 8 3 4 2 19 3 8

Bell Park 8 3 2 1 2 4 9 7

Clifton Hill 8 3 2 1 2 4 9 7

Bellarine 8 3 2 1 2 4 9 7

Yarraville 8 3 2 1 2 4 9 7

Regent 8 3 1 2 11 11 10

Moonee Valley 8 3 1 0 4 8 15 2

Kyneton Utd 8 1 0 5 7 25 2

West Melbourne 8 0 0 8 0 0 0

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6 Marocchi (AC), 5 J. Nyakohus (AC), 4 Mitchell (AC), 3 Russell (AC), 2 Semkalski (N), 1 Perin (AC).

Leaders:

33. Ollerton (Mak), Brown (Mak), Kosmina (SC).

32. Hermannson (BL).

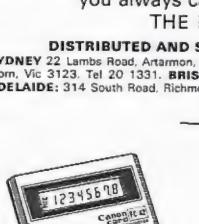
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From left, standing: Andrew McInroy (from Mordialloc, 1980), Paul Baketeoulos (ex-George Cross), Sam Nihias, Slobodan Zorec (player-coach, ex-J.U.S.T.), Con Triops, Con Lazaridis (Pionia, 1980), George Nicopoulos (Mordialloc, 1979), Tony Spanos (president). Front: Sam Ioannidis (ex-Richmond), Boulis Kamboropoulos (ex-Hellas) and Alexander, Nodar Papmarkos, Joe Falzon (ex-George Cross), Con Tehmazis (ex-Slavia), Nick Papas.







**AMPOL**

## AMPOL'S 27 YEAR SUPPORT FOR VSF

The Ampol company sponsors soccer in every Australian state except Western Australia. Ampol's Western Australian manager didn't want to support soccer. He's since left the company. That's what Ampol's Victorian manager Tom Nisbet said at a reception at Ampol's headquarters in Melbourne last week. The reception was called to present prize money to this year's Victorian Ampol Cup finalists Ajax and Croydon and beaten semi-finalists Croatia and Hakoah. The VSF was represented by chairman and ASF vice-president Michael Weinstein, senior vice-president Eric Heath, vice-president Peter Collins,

secretary George Wallace, State League chairman Vito Ciluro, treasurer John Borg and publicity officer Law Stifface.

The picture above shows representatives from the four clubs which won prize money standing on either side of Nisbet (centre). From right to left: Kurt Dertis (Hakoah), Guy Spiteri (Ajax), Nisbet, Geoff Peg (Croydon) and Frank Birkin (Croatia).

The reception re-affirmed the 27 year old support which the VSF has received from Ampol.

Their relationship was fostered by former Ampol chairman Sir William Walkley.